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• SEAFOOD

[illegible] said at me. I told [illegible] his paper because he was always moralizing on [illegible]. I told him I wasn't interested [illegible] what that nincompoop [illegible] Wilson said or did because no serious-minded person with [illegible] average intelligence takes [illegible] anyway. I told him I [illegible] to have more human interest stories in the paper—something [illegible] what other Nisei are doing, not only in B. C. but in America and Eastern Canada as well. I told him that the whole bunch acted like some of those good-for-nothing rah rah college boys who disgrace our streets. Lastly, I said that the editor himself should go and teach Sunday school.

Then the editor got mad. It was the first time that I ever saw him lose his temper.

He lectured to poor me for half He told me he couldn't have an hour. He even shouted at me. human interest stories when people don't write them. He said he didn't want to be bothered with guys (I suppose he meant like me) who beef all the time but do nothing. Not only that, he looked up the files to show me that I hadn't paid up the subscription for last month. Then he grabbed a golf club, raised it over my head and ordered me to write something myself to see if I could do better.

That night I felt rather bad and had an unpleasant dream too. I dreamt that I was in the woods and was being chased by a sleek black little animal which gave off a distinctly unpleasant odour. There was a sincere expression on the face of this skunk (for skunk it was). It was an educated face, a face which showed unmistakable signs of a strict early religious training, a face designed for higher things than attracting affection to itself by means of vile odours. Incidentally, the face reminded me of a certain alderman named Jackson or somebody. I pleaded with the skunk in the name of decency and health to leave me alone. But the more I pleaded the faster he ran and the greater became my discomfort.

I ran and ran. I was all out of breath and my eyes all blood-shot. I couldn't see anything — all I could see was the grinning face of the editor whom I had so foolishly criticized the day before.

All of a sudden I saw a hollow [illegible] stump in front of me. I jumped into it for refuge. And the old skunk sped on. I breathed a sigh of relief. But I must have gone too far into the stump in my anxiety [illegible] I found that I could not back out again for I was too large. I was [illegible]. I struggled and groaned and struggled again but with no results. [illegible] and breathless I resolved to lie there and die a miserable death [illegible] hunger and starvation.

As I lay there dying I suddenly remembered that I hadn't yet paid my subscription fee to the New Canadian. Then I felt so small that I crawled out of the stump hole with [illegible] difficulty at all.

FORSYTHIA

Who fell the starshower
That clothed this common bush
With a cloud of gold?

D. C.

Report Urges Wide Licensing Power For City

Charter Changes To Aid Discrimination

The Vancouver City Council refused to endorse the principle contained in the report of the special committee on trade license restriction at its meeting last Monday, but referred it to the legislative committee of the Council for further consideration.

The report urged that section 163 of the City's charter should be amended by the Provincial Legislature to give the City full power to restrict the issuance of trade licenses when it deemed it advisable to do so in the public interest.

Introducing the amendments contained in the report, Alderman Halford D. Wilson, chairman of the committee, explained that on previous occasions the Private Bills Committee of the Provincial Legislature had refused to grant the City the right to restrict the total number of licenses issued to Orientals in any one trade to a fixed percentage of the total of all such licenses issued by the city for that trade. Such direct discrimination, he explained, was not legal under the public law of Canada.

Under the proposed charter amendment, however, the City Council would have complete power to issue, transfer or refuse to issue or transfer and to cancel any trade license. Particular reference to certain conditions such as the distribution of the business, the nature of the merchandise, the source of supply or manner of production, the character of

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Economic Survey Planned

Our Canadian Mosaic

Photo by Mark Toyama.

The war in Europe was never farther away than on Vancouver's School Sports Day, held at Powell Grounds, May 23. The New Canadian cameraman managed to get this small group of busy student officials separated from the hundreds of shouting children long enough to get a perfect object lesson of Canadian democracy in action.

From left to right: Elizabeth Yamashita, past president of the Students' Council, a Nisei; Janet Saunders, this year's president, a negress; Mr. H. E. Patterson, kindly and patient principal of the school; Rose Agostino, vice-president, Italian; Yasue Adachi, head prefect, a Nisei; and Wing Jone, prefect, Chinese. (See story, page 4)

CJA Proposals For Conference Supports Economic Research

Over 80 delegates from some 36 organizations pledged their support to a proposal advanced by the Canadian Japanese Association to conduct a comprehensive survey of economic conditions among Japanese in Canada at the annual conference held in Vancouver Sunday.

The survey will be carried out by the Association, acting in close co-operation with organizations in different Japanese communities throughout the province.

In an opening address to the conference, Consul Kenji Nakauchi stressed the need for such a survey as a prelude to improvement in economic status of Japanese Canadians. Close co-operation among all organizations, he stated, would assist in meeting new problems caused by the war.

Vocational Guidance

The report from the special committee on second-generation vocations was submitted to the conference. It urged that provision for practical education for the Nisei be made and that thrift be encouraged through savings plans. A committee comprising the same personnel as before was appointed to carry on the work.

The Conference agreed to continue support to the Japanese Branch of the Canadian Legion in view of the work it is carrying on. The amount contributed will be increased by 133 per cent.

The Canadian Japanese Association also announced two projects under consideration, the first, the publication of a history of the Japanese contribution in Canada in Japanese; and second, the construction of a community centre.

On The Newsfront

Earthquake Causes $100,000 Damage to U.S. Japanese

EL CENTRO, Calif.—In the disastrous earthquake in the Death Valley region recently, 1,500 Japanese residents experienced the worst losses in their 40-year history in this section.

There were no deaths or serious injuries reported, but it was estimated that damage to Japanese stores and farms would exceed more than $100,000 by competent observers.

Young Nisei Graduates "Air" Vocational Problems

SEATTLE. — Three high school honor graduates and five U. of W. graduates participated in a round table radio broadcast sponsored by the Japanese-American Courier last Wednesday on the topic, "After Graduation, What?"

Highlights of the discussion were: Extra preparation is needed by the young; women face an extra handicap; young Japanese are not welcome in some places, although a few are hired for atmosphere and to draw Japanese trade; they are in demand for menial work; they want sufficient income to maintain a home and family; they are not taking up any foreign "ism" as a way out, but are seeking to meet their responsibilities.

Power-Driven Reel Increasing on Fraser

NEW WESTMINSTER. — Power-driven "gill net reels" or "drums" are increasing in popularity among the salmon fishermen of B. C., according to a report from the Department of Fisheries.

The big reels, a comparatively recent invention, speed up the setting of gill nets on the one hand and on the other permit the 200-fathom net to be reeled back much faster than by hand.

In district No. 1, Fraser River, in 1937 only four net reels of this type were in use. By the 1939 season, the number increased to 472.

RED CROSS WAR WORK SPEEDS UP

Urgent Demand For Clothing For Refugees

A special appeal to Nisei women in Vancouver was made this week by Mrs. E. Kitagawa, Convener of the Japanese Canadian Red Cross Unit, to speed up voluntary production of clothing to meet an emergency demand from London for clothing for the millions of refugees from Northern France and the Low Countries.

All Red Cross workers are urged to complete work on hand and to turn it in as soon as possible, in order that it may be dispatched to Europe.

In her appeal, Mrs. Kitagawa said: "We are making a special appeal to our Red Cross workers. Our unit, with the thousands of other units throughout Canada, must rally to the emergency call from London, England.

"In our comfortable homes far from the battlegrounds of Europe, we cannot fully realize the terror and destruction, the hunger and privations of the millions of civilians who have been bombed out of home and country, but as women we can appreciate the urgency of this appeal from Headquarters. You are busy, we know, and we shall not ask the impossible, but please speed up your work and production. Bring your garments in as quickly as they are finished, either to the office at the Nippon Club, to your group leaders, or to myself.

"Members of the Japanese Canadian Unit, the Empire needs you!"

Famous Missionary At First United

Rev. Yasuzo Shimizu, famous Japanese missionary and educator in China, will address a public meeting in First United Church, Gore and Hastings, Wednesday, May 29. Originally scheduled to speak at the Japanese Hall, the advance sale of tickets has necessitated the removal to larger quarters.

The Rev. Shimizu won renown for his work among the underprivileged Chinese people of Pekin, where he built and operates a school, which he is trying to expand into a University. At the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese war in 1937, he was largely instrumental in mediating for the peaceful occupation of the city thus preventing severe damage and destruction.

He is on an extensive speaking tour of the North American continent, and will address several meetings in B. C.

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Survey of Economic Conditions

A sketchy plan to undertake a detailed survey of economic conditions among the Japanese in Canada was presented at the annual conference of organizations affiliated with the Canadian Japanese Association. Although details of the plan have yet to be worked out, sponsors of the undertaking announce that it will be a comprehensive study of all phases of economic life among Japanese Canadians.

To say as it should be—The time has passed when restricted surveys of small sections of the community can contribute much to the welfare of the whole. What is needed today is painstaking research to discover concrete statistical data which point to definite conclusions. It should be a study of conditions of both labour and capital in primary industries, such as fishing, farming and forest products, and of labour and capital in commercial activities.

At the same time it is essential to recognize that such a survey is a project in social science, requiring the application of technical skill and knowledge to produce accurate and dependable results. There is no point, whatever, in undertaking a half-baked survey, unscientifically planned and unscientifically carried out which produces inaccurate results and faulty conclusions.

It is scarcely necessary to emphasize the value of the information to be gained from a genuinely scientific survey, that combines careful research with imaginative and far-sighted interpretation. On the one hand, it will bring to light actual facts concerning standards of living and competitive positions of Japanese Canadians—information necessary to combat hastily-flung charges and ill-advised policies of economic discrimination. On the other, it may well open up avenues of economic endeavour for the second generation, and provide some dependable guidance for vocational adjustment either in wholly new fields or through the improvement of the old.

War Savings Certificates

Since the war broke out, the Japanese community, both first and second generation have contributed several thousands of dollars in the form of donations to the government, and many thousands more through the purchase of war bonds.

But every passing day and every succeeding victory of highly mechanized German troops, has made us realize more vividly than ever before the necessity for complete mobilization of all our material resources. And each day, we have been wondering what part we as individuals, owing an immense debt to Canada, can play to assist her in her hour of need.

This week, war savings certificates went on sale as the Government launched a plan to speed up production of essential war supplies. The Government needs two millions of dollars a day, and it can come from the people and the people alone.

Here is the way in which every citizen, every boy and every girl, can help our country today and now. War savings certificates are designed to appeal directly to the investor of modest or even limited means. They are purchasable in very small amounts and form a very profitable and secure means of saving for the future.

Let's all get out and buy war savings certificates.

[illegible]

— R. G. D.

A Nisei Letter

Today the sad news came.

No, it was not death or disaster. Something perhaps more dreadful: the gnawing pains of a disappointed romance—I shall say the sad farewell to tender stages.

Chiyo's note was cryptic and terse. She had been married to a son of a prominent family in Japan. In her familiar handwriting the dreaded words "by the time you read these lines." There was no need to read further.

Some day I feared this unhappy ending would come about. Now it had happened. Chiyo, perhaps, was meant for finer things, a higher station in life, the very best . . . things which I could not offer.

Perhaps it is too much for a mere immigrant's son, a humble tiller of the soil, to have had such false illusions.

But Chiyo . . .

I shall love her always. Now I can appreciate the feeling of Poe for his Annabel Lee and the intense sadness of Werther during his last disappointing months.

The day when first we met I can still vividly recall. She looked so fragrantly vivacious, a picture of laughter and yet the soul of discretion. I can remember, too, the thrill of our first dance together. She beamed with exuberance and encouragement, disregarding my clumsy steps, her eyes reflecting the symphony of her happy heart. We glided on glass, it seemed; the music was so smooth, so sweet and fulfilling.

Perhaps it is all for the best. But I know as I face each glowing sunset that streaks across the farm and unto the broad Pacific I shall see Chiyo's face fading beyond the pale of the distant horizon.

How heavy-laden will be my heart and arduous my tasks as I plow a new furrow or reap a day's harvest.

Still life should be real and earnest . . . not mere memories of an adolescent love. There should be reason and rhyme. There must be a goal, a purpose, a richer destination.

And someone too somewhere waits for me . . . someone whose love will be as deep, fervent, and sincere.

Yes, some day will come great happiness.

Anti-alien campaigns of whatever nature are a sickening travesty of Americanism. We can contribute nothing of more value to a sick world than proof that men and women of different racial strains can get along together peacefully and democratically. Go far enough back, and we are all aliens.—New York Times.

Japanese Standard Of Living Rises

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FIRST MUST WORK TO LIVE

[illegible] such expansion is of an economic nature. The first [illegible] of the immigrants is to make a living, and since it [illegible] with people of their own race, nationality, culture and class [illegible] must work in order to live and they are therefore compelled to [illegible] the native-born section which controls the wealth of the community [illegible] dominates its industrial activities.

[illegible] into the life of the [illegible] the language of the local community [illegible] its civilization [illegible] ideals and eventually become attached [illegible] contacts tend to set the pace of their assimilation [illegible] social contacts with people of their own race and nationality [illegible] to retard it.

The more rapid the economic expansion of an immigrant group the more quickly it is likely to be assimilated. The speed of assimilation of the Japanese however is offset to a certain extent by the discrimination which results from their economic expansion and drives them to band themselves for protection and postpones their eventual attachment for the community.

GROUP BECOMES MORE LEISURELY

Paradoxical as it may seem, the more rapidly the Japanese is assimilated, the sooner will they be able to outstrip the native population in economic competition. As soon as the immigrants and their children acquire the means, they tend to adopt the standard of living of the native population, including not only better food, clothing and shelter, but the more leisurely habits of the Whites and an interest in those things which increased money and leisure time make possible. Evidences of this transformation are already so marked that the second generation of Japanese are often criticized as being less industrious than their parents.

STANDARD WILL EQUAL THAT OF WHITES

That the standard of living of the Japanese will at least equal that of the White groups in a comparatively short time is indicated by the rapid progress already made. References in the "Report of the Royal Commission" of 1902 indicate that in the cities of British Columbia the conditions under which the immigrants lived were almost incredible. Immigration officials, medical officers, and sanitary inspectors all bear witness to the unsanitary conditions and the very low standard of living of the immigrants in their early years in Canada.

The remarkable advance in the standard of living of the group since the beginning of the century is evident in the standard of the Japanese at the present time. The living conditions and economic status of the Japanese in Vancouver are impressive though they are variable as are those of the Whites, since they necessarily reflect the more complex and specialized nature of a metropolitan community. A casual acquaintance with members of the group and a glance at some of the better homes in the Japanese settlements show the progress that has been made both in attaining a greater degree of economic security and in acquiring a more satisfactory standard of living.—Young, Reid and Carrothers in The Japanese Canadians, University of Toronto Press, Toronto.

Dulce et Decorum Est

To Die For One's Country

As I sat there, watching the firelight playing across the [illegible] faces of the men, my mind went back over the events of the days since we landed. The memories of some were confused, often fragmentary, perhaps misleading. Under such great stress one's observations [illegible] are not entirely accurate. Still the general impression was there. A sort of surprise came over me in the realization that although the [illegible] of bullets and shells had come near me, I was still [illegible] untouched. Many others had been less fortunate. The [illegible] changed their personalities different. They had [illegible] robust both mentally and physically that they were [illegible] capable.

Danger and hardship have bound us together in [illegible] relationship on the field. We trust each other implicitly [illegible] merged our interests in the common whole. It seemed [illegible] thought of it that we had found simplicity and [illegible] sincerity. We had been welded solidly in the fighting [illegible] sworn to fight, through everything, for the fatherland [illegible] strength and makes us able to die in the field almost [illegible] saluting the emperor with our last breath. The hardships [illegible] seemed so great at the time almost unbearable were [illegible] gotten. Indeed, they now appeared in my mind's eye [illegible] with a pure and radiant light.

Before we advance again I am going to mail the [illegible] letters to you. My dear brother this does not mean the end [illegible] There are endless muddy roads and ghastly battles still [illegible] Believing in our spiritual strength, I will go ahead as bravely as possible. Believe me and pray that I may be able to write [illegible] beginning with my usual phrase "I am still alive." [illegible] & [illegible] by Corporal Ashihei Hino.

Fuyokai Speaker Captures Gakuyukai Oratorical Supremacy

Nobuko Okuma Takes Sato Cup For Fuyokai's Second Straight Win

Nobuko Okuma, ingratiating Fuyokai member, captured premier honours at the Gakuyukai commemorative oratorical contest held at the Japanese Hall, last Saturday evening, May 25. Through Miss Okuma's win, the Fuyokai needs just another victory next year to retire the Principal Sato cup for permanent possession.

WINNING SPEECH

Miss Okuma addressed the crowd on the topic, "Mother," and delighted the audience with an old story that never goes stale, the story of the sacrificial love a "mother" bears for her children. In particular, she drew the attention of the listeners to the pioneering work first generation mothers have gone through for the Nisei in coming out to Canada from their native land.

Hajime Horiuchi of Kokikai with his talk on "With Perseverance" took second place. Aiko Kurita of Keiyukai came third with her speech, "Correspondence."

Other speakers were: Toshio Baudo, Fuyokai, "My Thoughts"; Kaye Uda, Taiwakai, "Great Men and Their Sayings"; Kay Machida, "The Essence of Living."

JUDGES' COMMENTS

In announcing the decision of the judges, Dr. M. Ishiwara said that the speakers did remarkably well in view of the fact that the occasion was the first attempt for most of them at public speaking. He expressed the hope that young people would be encouraged to participate more actively in public speaking as there is a great need for good speakers.

Principal Sato presented the cup to Miss Okuma, while Shota Kondo, president of the Gakuyukai, gave out the prizes to the first three winners. All contestants were awarded a certificate for participation.

In his opening speech, the hard-working chairman, Shige Okumura, pointed out that this contest commemorating the 25th anniversary of the Gakuyukai had been made possible through the full-hearted co-operation of the Jikyokai which, although it had been conducting the intra-mural oratory with great success, had handed it over to the Gakuyukai in view of the special anniversary occasion.

In the musical interlude before the announcement of the winners, Hideyo Iguchi entertained with several accordion numbers.

GAKUYUKAI PRESIDENT

Courtesy of Columbia Studio

Harry Kondo

Nisei Sketch

The Silver Lining

First generation parents are prone to be scandalized by the Nisei. But, in this weft and web of life which writers fondly name "the Nisei world," there are the dark and bright sides; and, as it has been repeated through the ages "every cloud has its silver lining," so we are going to brush aside the gloomy and the drab aspect of Nisei life, and let you readers catch a glimpse of what is taking place in the life of just one of many unsung Nisei heroes. Shota Kondo, commonly known to his friends as plain Harry.

Harry was born into a family of girls (a factor which may have played a part in shaping his modest and unassuming nature) and was brought up according to the dictates of a home of immigrant parents doing without the luxuries of life. When school days came along young Harry showed himself a good pupil ranking right at or near the top both in day and Japanese schools.

After graduating from his studies in mechanics at the Vancouver Technical School, he went around the big city garages hunting for jobs with enthusiasm and high hopes. Even when the firms hard hit by depression years gave him the same answers everywhere, "I'm sorry but . . . ." he refused to be discouraged, and, although he finally ended up working as a houseboy, he didn't let himself down into the doldrums of despair. Half seriously, half jokingly he refers to that experience with the statement, "Anyway, I've always wanted to see how the hakujins lived."

JOB-HUNTING

A year later it was that he got a job working for the Tairiku Nippo Sha. Janitor's help, printer's devil, type-picker, translator, transcriber, type-setter, stereotyper, editor on the English section of the daily—he's experienced it all.

His activities outside of office hours have been and still are many. In the role of president he has guided the destinies of the Hokutokai (Class of '29) for the greater part of its active career during which it has more than outshone the Polar Star (after which it was named) in brilliance in educational, social and sport activities.

Then as president of the Gakuyukai, parent alumni society of the language school, he's had his hands more than full, especially this year with the organization celebrating its twenty-fifth anniversary with an oratorical contest, 100-page magazine (he's chief editor), concert, annual reception for graduates and the picnic.

He holds fast to the conviction that Nisei should be staunch Canadian citizens, and one of his aims as president of the Gakuyukai has been to have club activities mould the character of its members with this object in view. His connection with the Hompa Buddhist School staff, his duties as vice-chairman on the Hompa Young Men's Association, his work in the Japanese Canadian Citizen's League as first vice-president and his participation in the provincial youth congresses are further expressions of this conviction.

CITIZENSHIP

A more sincere tribute to his ability as organizer, leader and most of all as a producer-of-results would be harder to find than in the words of Mr. Sato, principal of the Japanese school: "If you ask him to do anything, it's as good as done."

How does he manage it all? It's doubtful whether many executive heads would willingly subscribe to his recipe for success: "Work three times as hard as the hardest-working executive member." Bearing this in mind, readers may find it easier to believe that he actually gets up at six in the morning and rarely goes to sleep before midnight.

With Harry setting the example, anyone working with him rarely refuse his requests. He just doesn't have to give out orders, but he gets loyal support and co-operation.

The many responsibilities that have fallen his lot leave him no leisure time for sports which he loves. While attending Strathcona School, he was on the junior baseball team that won the city school championship, and later landed a berth on the strong Asahi Niguns. Lately he has been forced to confine his time to tennis and badminton, and ruefully remarked that he didn't have time to chase the shuttlecock last season.

SPORTSMAN

In spite of all his successes, Harry has remained modest and quiet-mannered. He is but another of the many Niseis, we are proud to say, who without fanfare have been contributing their share to the welfare of their community and country.

Prince Konoye Fetes Chinese Goodwill Party

Prince Fumimaro Konoye, president of the Privy Council and former prime minister of Japan, was host at a luncheon given in honour of the Chinese Goodwill Mission who are at present visiting Japan. The luncheon, sponsored by the Federation of Public Organizations, was attended by Chen Kung-po, president of the Legislative Yuan of the Chinese National Government and head of the Chinese delegation; Dr. Chu Minyi, foreign minister of the Chinese Central Government, and other members of the Chinese party.

RECONSTRUCTION

In greeting the mission, Prince Konoye expressed the hope that the new Central Government will undertake the tremendous task of reconstructing China immediately, and pointed out that the inception of the new regime in China marked a progress in the construction of a New Order in not only East Asia, but the world.

In response, Chen Kung-po hoped that the joint policy of Japan and China against the evil influence of the Comintern would bring about a lasting peace between the two countries. Continuing, he regretted the refusal of China in the past to understand Japan and things Japanese, and at the same time urged the Japanese to state their ideas clearly to the Chinese people.

SAY YOU SAW IT IN THE NEW CANADIAN

European War Hits Japan Trade

TOKYO. — The new developments in the European war front has affected the stock market here adversely and heavy selling caused the prices to drop.

Observers believe this new situation will prove to be disadvantageous to Japan's trade with Europe, with the shipping and textile industries suffering the heaviest blows.

The silk industry, however, is carrying on favourably. The Silk Price Stabilization Commission recommended to the Government that the maximum selling price of raw silk be raised 400 yen per bale (100 lbs.) to 1700 yen for the coming year and the minimum price be fixed at 1350 yen.

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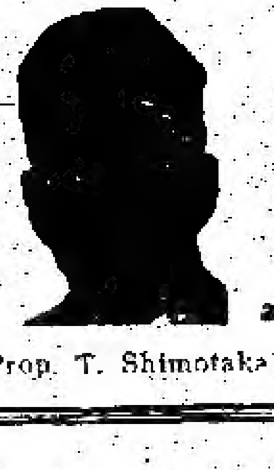
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TOWN TOPICS

YPS WINDUP BANQUET

To bring to a close another successful year of active work, the Powell YPS will hold their windup banquet at the Melrose Cafe on Thursday, June 6, at 6:45 p.m. sharp. A social period will follow the banquet. 50c will be charged.

Those wishing to attend the banquet are asked to phone in their reservations to Uje Yatabe, BAY. 5225 R. by June 4th. No late reservations will be accepted.

VISITORS

Last week saw a number of visitors to the city. Mr. Yukio of Victoria paid a short week-end visit. Mr. Saburo Takahashi, a student at the University of B. C., returned home with his brother.

Mr. W. J. Tagami of Oxnard, Calif., also a visitor to the city, was the guest of Mr. M. Fukagusa of Duncan. Mr. Tagami was accompanied by his mother and sister.

A week-end traveller, too, was Miss Cizuko Iwasa of Cumberland who visited the city, the guest of her sister for several days.

The annual picnic of the Hiroshima Sonenkai will be held at Boundary Bay on June 2. All those going will be transported to the American resort on a specially chartered "Highway Clipper." The coach will leave the front of the club office, 143 Dunlevy, at 8 a.m.

25th Anniversary Ceremony

Sunday, June 2, will be a great day at the Powell United Church for the Powell and Fairview CGIT will take over the Junior Church Service in commemoration of the 25th anniversary of the founding of the country wide movement.

Mrs. H. Burkholder, who has become a favourite among the Japanese young people, will be the guest speaker. Miss E. Bird will preside at the service. A special musical programme of choral work and a quartette of CGIT girls has been arranged. The service will be brought to a close with a special dedication in a mellow glow of candlelight. Tea and a short musical programme will follow the ceremony.

This is the first time that a 'teen-aged group of girls will be in charge of an entire service, so come and give them your full support. A special invitation is issued to all young people.

The Hastings East Red Cross Unit will meet this Thursday at the home of Mrs. E. Kitagawa at 8 p.m. The executive are also asked to attend the meeting.

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CALENDAR

SOME COMING EVENTS

MAY

29—[illegible] Meeting [illegible] [illegible], 7:30 p.m.
30—Hastings East Red Cross Unit Meeting at Mrs. Kitagawa's [illegible]

JUNE

1—Satoshi Nakamura Recital, Japanese Hall.
1—[illegible] Picnic, Boundary Bay, [illegible]
2—CGIT 25th Anniversary [illegible] Powell United Church.
2—Hompa Sunday School Picnic, Spanish Banks.
2—[illegible] Picnic, [illegible]
6—Powell YPS Banquet, Melrose Cafe, [illegible]
9—Mokokai Picnic, Belcarra Park.

"Licence"

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physical condition of the applicant, the condition of the premises and ability of the applicant to keep proper books in the English language, was contained in the report.

Alderman Wilson suggested that the Council endorse the report in principle and refer it to the legislative committee.

Un-British

His Worship, May Telford asked if the proposed amendment wasn't simply another way of dealing with the Oriental problem, which was just as un-British as a more direct form of discrimination. He asked if it wasn't merely an attempt at discrimination under camouflage and the guise of the public interest.

In reply Alderman Wilson stated that the Council, in any case, should have such extensive power over the issuing of licenses. It did not mean indiscriminate discrimination against Orientals, the Alderman said.

The Mayor feared that such an attempt to interfere with ordinary competitive business might lead to considerable trouble. On the suggestion of Alderman J. Cornett the report was finally referred to the legislative committee, without the endorsement of the Council.

Sunday School Picnic

Beautiful Spanish Banks has been chosen for the site of the picnic when the Hompa Young Men's Buddhist Association again sponsors their annual picnic for the Hompa Sunday School children.

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"A LOVELY AGE"

By K. C. M.

About ten o'clock the advance units arrive at Powell Grounds. As I look up the long gaily coloured line, winding up Jackson Avenue, I cannot drive another picture from my mind so sharply etched in its contrast. It's a line of marching units, dressed in drab khaki, shouldering heavy rifles, a machine moving with precision and briskness, into which every individual has merged himself as an important cog, and faintly the muffled beat of drums, the keening of bagpipes. Only to the machine itself is there life, not to the individual cogs, for upon their faces is only stilled resignation.

But this army is different. It is fluid, plastic, alive. Every unit is dynamic, pulsating, a part of the group, and yet apart from it. Its music is young, eager, questing, hurried, rhythmical in the rise and fall, the chatter and laughter of young voices. And in the eyes and faces of its officers there is not weariness and bitterness, but joy and understanding.

This is the first time I have ever attended the annual sports day of Strathcona School, the most unique public school in Canada. The day is fine and clear, not a cloud in the sky—but a haze settles all over the park—a haze from the tramp of many feet on the sun-baked clay of Powell grounds.

Competition among the four houses of the upper grades is keen, but never bitter. And though the faces of the contestants may be white, yellow or black, each of them smile and congratulate each other no matter who wins.

It doesn't really matter that individual honours of the day go to Yasushi Saito, a grade VIII Nisei student, who wins 14½ points for his house, or that the individual girl champion is dusky Audrey Berrick, a grade VII student who piles up 13 points. House 1, dubbed for this day in honour of Scotland, the "Thistles," reaps house honours with 119½ points, while the Irish "Shamrocks," the English "Roses" and the Canadian "Maple Leafs" lag behind.

There is an indefinable atmosphere that reaches into every corner of the field. One sees it in the unending patience of the starting teachers as time and again the runners are called back because of false starts . . . in the diminutive Chinese boy with the megaphone piping in a thin voice for contestants in the sack race . . . in the dimpled smile of the red-haired girl who sells your reporter ice cream . . . in the host of anxious proud fathers and mothers who watch from the stands . . . "Mo uchi no Hideo ga shita no?" . . . the swift deft fingers of the Chinese nurse as she applies mercurochrome to bruised and cut knees . . . in the teacher with the megaphone over his head, a clown for once in his life . . . in the three-legged race where white runs with black in perfect harmony and rhythm . . . "a lovely age when yellow and white and buddies" . . . in tired youngsters and equally tired teachers trekking homewards.

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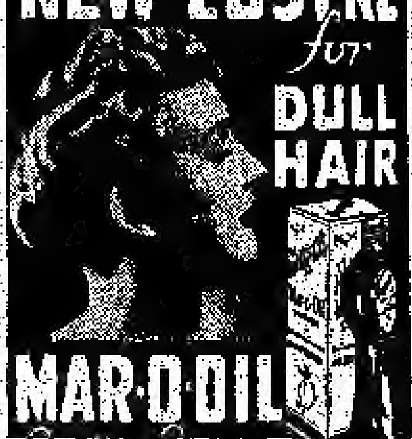

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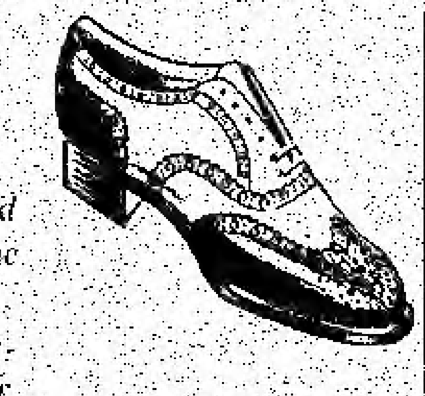

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Candlelight and Wine

by Diana

As the close of May draws ever closer our thoughts lightly turn to glorious June days ahead, the month of roses and of brides. It is the time that excited girls are impatiently awaiting the big day in their lives—that moment in June when they'll whisper "I do."

And why should June be so honoured? Certain authorities believe that courtship between man and woman in its earliest form was somewhat akin to that of the lower animals. This system of pairing off took place just when spring was turning into summer. Thus we have this age-old desire of marrying in the month of June.

MATCHMAKERS MERRY IN NIPPON

In Japan, long before a boy or girl's fancies have turned to thoughts of love, "nakodos" or matchmakers, either a married couple or an older man or woman, upon request of the parents, are on the lookout for good prospects. Since the work of arranging marriages is regarded as an honour and duty by the go-betweens the general behaviour and appearance, physically, mentally, and morally of growing children is watched very closely by interested elders; the so-called "bad" young people often being obliged to contract a "love match" for matchmakers will have nothing to do with them.

In arranging a marriage there are usually two matchmakers, one for the bride and one for the groom. The background of the family is searched for any physical, mental, or moral defect, and the family's position, wealth and the character of the young people are carefully considered before any arrangements are made. If both sides are satisfied, a "miai" or mutual-seeing meeting is arranged for the young people either at the home of the "nakodo" or at a theatre or party. At this first meeting the prospective bride and groom are chaperoned by the go-betweens.

When all individuals are satisfied, the proposal is sealed with the exchange of "yuino" or engagement gifts which usually consist of clothing as symbols of happiness and a certain sum of money. Friends also offer gifts of congratulation. With this exchange of gifts the engagement ceremony, the marriage contract becomes binding and the day for the wedding ceremony is selected.

"NAKODOS" ARE STILL ACCEPTED

The engagement of a Nisei couple is a mixture of Japanese and Canadian customs. "Nakodos" are still the accepted thing. Even when the groom has found his own bride in the accepted Canadian manner, "nakodos" are requested to take part in the various ceremonies just for the sake of appearance. The actual engagement ceremony of a Nisei match usually takes the form of a short religious service where the troth is sealed with a ring. This service attended only by close friends and relatives, is followed by a banquet given by the prospective groom. Here speeches of felicitations are made by the "nakodos," parents, and close friends.

The actual engagement of a Canadian couple is by far the simplest for there is no ceremony, no fuss at all. Even the custom of "asking father" passed out with the formal proposal on bended knee, for a man and woman make their own decision first before seeking the approval of their parents.

"WITH THIS RING DO I THEE WED"

It has long been the occidental custom to seal the betrothal pact with a ring. This is a cherished tradition that has come down through the ages. Long ago it was the custom to seal a pact with the breaking of a piece of gold or silver, half of the token being kept by the man, the other half by the woman. Others sealed their promise with the exchange of gifts for a gift was considered part of a person and a woman by taking it, acknowledged her acceptance of the giver.

The diamond solitaire is accepted as the only true engagement ring because of an old superstition that the sparkle of the diamond originated in the fires of love bringing love and happiness to married life. Regardless of tradition and convention it is now considered the young lady's privilege to choose her own ring.

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Before the engagement ring is worn in public an announcement of the betrothal is made in some way. Some people choose to make the announcement simply by sending a notice to the newspapers or by sending engraved cards to friends and relatives, the news being issued first by the bride-elect. The young man does not send any notes or cards before his fiancee has made the announcement to her friends. Sometimes the happy girl and her mother give a party or luncheon at which the engagement is revealed as a surprise to her friends.

Gifts are often exchanged between an engaged couple, but, outside of the actual ring etiquette rules that presents should not be expensive. The groom usually chooses this time to present his fiancee with a treasured family heirloom carrying a world of tradition and romance.

Different countries have different methods of preparing for marriage but the sentiments behind them are just th seame, and with the promise of marriage the happy bride-elect glimpses the blossoming of all her hopes and dreams.

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For admirers and followers of Mr. Nakamura who have enjoyed his singing over the air lanes and at concerts, this will be their first opportunity to hear him in a full recital of his own.

Accompanying the singer at the piano will be Miss Beatrice Hicks, daughter of Gideon Hicks, noted city instructor under whom Mr. Nakamura has been pursuing his musical studies.

The recital will feature several favorite English, French, Italian, Russian and Japanese songs.

(I)

a. *Nature's Adoration* ...... Beethoven
b. *Man is for Woman Made* ...... Purcell
c. *Honour and Arms* ...... Handel
(From the oratorio *Samson*)

(II)

a. *Serenata* ...... Tosti
b. *Sea Moods* ...... Catford
c. *Pilgrim's Song* ...... Tschaikowsky
d. *Sweet Afton*
Words by ...... Robert Burns
Music by ...... Anderson

(III)

a. *Even Bravest Heart*
...... from Gounod's *Faust*
b. *The Unhappy One*
...... from Verdi's *Ernani*

INTERMISSION

(IV)

a. *Now Sleeps the Crimson Petal*
...... Words by Tennyson
Music by Quilter
b. *If Thou Wert Blind* ...... Johnson
c. *O That It Were So* ...... Bridge
d. *Youth* ...... Allitsen

(V)

a. *Departure* ...... Sugiyama
b. *The Quince-flower* ...... Yamada
d. *Fisherman's Song* ...... Nakayama
d. *The Moon on the Ruined Castle*
...... Yamada

(VI)

a. *Invictus* ...... Words by Henley
Music by Huhn
b. *O Dry Those Tears* ...... del Riego
c. *I Know of Two Bright Eyes*
...... Clutsan
d. *The Floral Dance* ...... Moss

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Niseis Organize Swimming Club

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Interest in swimming and life saving received a big impetus last Wednesday as over twenty enthusiastic Niseis gathered at the Nippon Club last Wednesday to formulate plans for the formation of a swimming club, officially dubbed the "Nippon Aquatics."

Present at the meeting was Allan F. McDonnell, member of the Canadian Amateur Swimming Association and the Life Saving Society, who kindly offered to give instruction to the Nisei group.

He pointed out the possibility of promoting Nisei talent in view of the fact that Japan is noted for its swimmers.

Nomination to Executive

Nominations for the executive posts were made and to date have been narrowed down to:

Sho Miyanishi, Dr. Banno for president; Mark Toyama, corresponding secretary; Tucker Morito, Sho Okawara, treasurer; Haruko Maruno, Pat Kawajiri, recording secretary; Frank Hatanaka, Eicho Goto, Kochi Yanagizawa, Roy Morito, Marie Akiyama, Harako Maruno, for the membership committee.

The next meeting has been slated for Wednesday evening, 7.30 p.m. at the Nippon Club when elections and other business of organizational nature will be completed.

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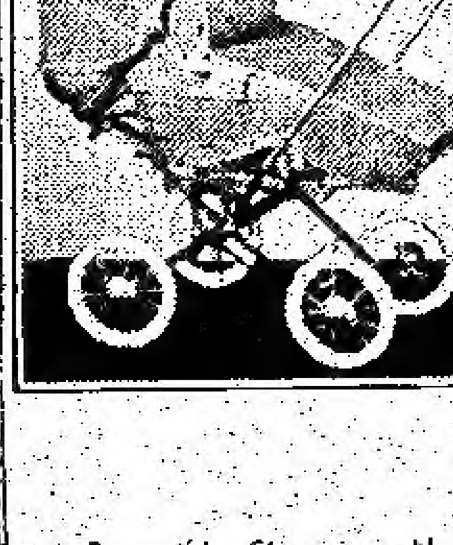

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East-Richo Chats

By "Chatter"

Women's Ass'n Contributes:

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"Flashy Riverside Nine":

Blue caps and blue and yellow sweaters comprise the uniform adopted by the hard-hitting Riverside JCCL baseball nine. Last Sunday at Queensborough Park, our boys were proudly displaying their new uniforms, while awaiting the arrival of the Giants.

But the Giants, perhaps dazzled even at a distance by the bright new uniforms, failed to show up, thus giving the local team another consecutive win in the Fraser Valley League.

Confidentially .... Skipper, won't you tell us how you put your boat in the drydock? .... you know that boat, G.K. 1309. Hope you had a nice time. ... How does the cool, muddy fraser feel at this time of the year, Tommy? Better than dynamite?

Bloedel Banner

With the annual painting of the family rowboat and the two Indian dugouts completed, the Adachi's have been trolling in quest of the mighty spring salmon, lurking in the cool depths of Menzies Bay. Topping them all were the two 17-pounders caught by Ken and your correspondent.

An "Off the record" meeting including many men, boys and girls, veteran outdoorsmen or otherwise were lake-bound to seek relief amid the green timbers from the recent heat spell.

"Riverside" JCCL will hold their annual picnic next Sunday, June 2, with a surprise boat picnic to an unknown destination. A sparkling program of fun and frolic is being drawn up by the social committee, and picnickers will enjoy the ice cream and the wiener roast. Individuals are asked to bring your own lunch, and to meet at the Sunbury Japanese school by 8.30. Reservations must be made immediately either with George Sasaki, Box 635, New Westminster, or Hideo Onofero, R.R. No. 1. All out for the biggest and best picnic yet.

CAPITAL CITY CHATTER

By Ioni Gossippe

BASEBALL COMING

On May 20, the monthly meeting of the Taiyo Club was held at the home of Mrs. B. Kuwabara, with President **Harold Kawasoe** in the chair. It was finally decided after a lengthy discussion, that baseball practices be held and if the turnout of players warranted, a team be selected to play exhibition games again this year.

JCCL SPEAKERS

Three very interesting speeches heard last Saturday night at the JCCL meeting were given by **Fumiko Shimizu** on "Hitler's Life," **Ta Ono** on "History of Mankind," and **Toshio Uyede**, "The B. C. Cod Fishermen's Cooperative Association."

"**The discussion on the "Mutual Benefit Savings Club" was tabled until more data is obtained.**

The meeting was concluded with the serving of refreshments, during which an interesting talk was given by **Taro Yoneda** on his experiences encountered during his trip to and from and his stay in Edmonton.

Genial chairman for the evening was **Muss Okamoto**.

SYMPATHIES

Our deepest sympathies are extended to Mr. Tani, Kikue, Bill, Don and J. C. Tani—in the recent loss of their loving wife and mother.

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Englewood Edgings

By K. K.

On Tuesday, the 21st, right after supper Coach Bernie Yukota had our team out on the field for a pre-game warm-up for the semi-final against the Wood and English team.

But Manager Mr. Roach had hired a "star" chucker and two other players from the Alert Bay Indian team, and the Wood and English squad emerged 12-8 winners. But what a game and what a crowd! Sid Yajima was the capable ump.

Too bad, boys, better luck next time.

24th OF MAY

Empire Day is always eagerly looked forward to here, for we Englewoodians get a three-day holiday. On the 24th we went off to Alert Bay to enjoy the parade with floats, army and navy units, and a few Kiltties. There was also an Indian canoe parade and a gas-boat race.

In the afternoon a sports program was held for the kiddies with races and novelties, followed by a soccer game between the Kingcome Packers and the Alert Bay Indians.

Final item was the softball final, with Alert Bay Indians meeting Englewood's Wood and English team. With the assistance of three men from our Beavers, Wood and English came out on top, 12-8.

CORRECTION

In the May 22 issue, the cup donated by Mr. K. Kadota was for the Japanese House League only, and U. & E. should have read W. & E.

Let's Play Bridge

LESSON X—SHUT OUT BIDS

One of the least understood bids in contract bridge is the opening bid of THREE or FOUR in a suit, commonly called the "shut out" bid. It is not a bid to show a lot of honor tricks, as many players think mistakenly (the opening TWO bid is reserved exclusively for that) but is a bid used to show great playing strength and decidedly defensive weakness. In other words, it shows a hand strong in trump cards and with an unbalanced distribution, but weak in honor tricks.

With the following "freak" hand, it is evident that the declarer has a good chance to make a contract of four spades (offensive strength) but probably will not be able to take more than two tricks against opponents' contract of five diamonds (defensive value).

S—K Q J 10 9 7 5 4 3 2
H—(void)
D—5
C—8 6

Therefore, in order to "shut out" the opponents from bidding and making a game (worth roughly 500 points), a player with a hand like the one above opens the bidding at a high level thus deterring the bidding, discouraging the opponents from en...

A player who intends to make a shut-out bid must be careful to see that if the opponents should double for penalties he will not get set back more than three tricks not vulnerable and two tricks vulnerable.

The requirements of a shut-out bid are:

Strong trump suit (with at least six, preferably more, trump cards) but NO minimum 2½ honor tricks.

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Odds and Ends

On Nisei Prose Writing

By DEBORAH and "I"

For months now Deborah and I haven't had a good discussion about anything except the weather and her cooking. Since the war broke out we haven't had any of the arguments we used to enjoy so much. I think it's because the war upset so many of our ideas, and we're still trying to patch them up again.

But on Victoria Day (Deborah dislikes the name Empire Day—she thinks it's great that we should have a holiday once a year just because we once had a slim girlish queen who lived so long to grow up to be a crusty dowager), we went off to the beach. White dazzling sand, and shouting kids and frying hamburgers and tossing sea and peanuts and popcorn and silent mountains and we just lay on the beach and stared at the sky.

The bright sun always affects Deborah either in one of two ways. Either she worries about her complexion and her freckles or she becomes philosophical and tries hard to think.

She told me about some poetry she had received. We're both concerned because of the numerous simple mistakes in English that appear so often, even in the literary contributions to the paper.

HODGE-PODGE OF ENGLISH AND JAPANESE

So many young Nisei, with creative talent, are brought up in a semi-English, semi-Japanese environment. As a result they are genuinely and instinctively at home with neither English or Japanese. And even though they may have a feeling for words, a bent for description, an instinct for imagery, their efforts in this direction are limited by their lack of thorough training. Their vocabulary is a hodge-podge of English and Japanese idiom. And that's one obstacle that must be overcome before a worthwhile or distinctive Nisei literature of any bulk will ever evolve.

I have another theory, although Deborah always sniffs at it in genteel disdain. She says it's just because I'm a stuffy logician myself. But the Japanese mind, it seems to me, lacks the ability to think and write logically and deductively—the tradition for the Japanese is to think emotionally. That's why Japanese literature, while emotionally and lyrically superb, is so puny when compared with the wealth of western literature with its deep philosophical insight and significance. It is only recently under the impact of western culture that the Japanese mind is being trained to think logically.

And among the Nisei, I have observed that those whose contact with Canadian society have been very limited are usually emotional and illogical in their thinking—take for instance so many of the fine oratorical speeches, which, when translated into English, resemble nothing so much more than the froth on top of a beer mug. In contrast, those who have been brought up among Canadians are often most clear-sighted and acute in their observations and thinking.

Some time, I'm going to write more about this because it's my favourite theory, but I'll have to wait until Deborah is out of the way. Being emotional herself, like most women she doesn't like to suffer by comparison.

HAPPIEST NOTE OF ROMANTIC IDEALISM

But Nisei prose writing has suffered from this lack of training in clear logical thinking. What has been produced has been inspired by our own local problems. It has been almost exclusively expository in form, characterized by its immaturity, and its happiest note has been its romantic idealism.

Deborah maintained that the last element, plus the realism of today, will bring wide recognition to Nisei prose writing of the next half-century. I contended that we would be more likely to see something distinguished by its stark realism—the "Grapes of Wrath" idea.

Just then a seagull soared directly overhead, and Deborah, who isn't always a lady, remarked that it would be a catastrophe if it were to drop its own peculiar form of bomb. And suddenly the war came back to us.

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Tales of Yester Year

"KIICHI THE GIANT"

Tales of the old days long hid under the cobwebs of memories are brought out now and then to be dusted off and talked over. These were the tales of bygone days of muddy rutted roads with board walks of suburban areas still unborn under the wealth of giant firs ... of underbrush and wild things of the woods. Those were the stirring days when the Railroad slowly crept towards the Pacific coast and land-grabbers were busy and gentlemen gamblers in long black coats and black wide brimmed hats dealt out cards with flicking fingers to win, to lose.

DAYS THE ISSEI KNEW

Vancouver must have been a bustling town then, quite bumptious, very self-conscious of future importance. Imagine! ... dirt roads ... pulley cars ... horses and buggies ... sideburns and bustles ... flat straw hats and enormous flower-decked hats with hatpins ... saloons and mission churches ... and the natural harbour being dredged and reinforced with pilings and rocks for future piers and depots that will make the harbour known throughout the seven seas.

Up Burrard Inlet somewhere there was a stone quarry, and there a gang of Japanese immigrants laboured day in, day out to blast out rocks for the C.P.R. wharves. There they were, sweating, swearing, shouting and singing as they tore the granite from the earth. In this gang of hard-muscled men was one Kiichi—a giant with a simple soul. His vast strength, his long arms, were a joy to the foreman. His straight good humour and integrity won the respect of his mates. His appetite was a trial to the camp cook and his wife. But ... and all, they liked him, and jollied him.

A GIANT WITH A SIMPLE SOUL

One day—the sun rose high and clear and heat waves rose and trembled in the ... the toilers bent to their task with back and face dirt-streaked, and glistening drops of perspiration streamed through their grime.

Kiichi the giant, who had the longest legs and steadiest hands, knelt to light the fuse that led to the heavy charge of dynamite. Yelling to the others to take cover, he ran himself. He tripped, he stumbled, he fell! A spasm of keen anxiety, and a stilled awareness.

When the thunder of the explosion rolled away into the distance and rocks and debris settled into the rising dust, the gang foreman first rushed out calling:

"Kiichi! Kiichi! Are you all right?"

"Oi! Oi! Kiichi-kun! Dokoni oru kai!!"

Silence.

A horror settled on the others and numbed their limbs. Slowly, helplessly they stared around. Where was Kiichi? He couldn't have been ... impossible!!

Then, where was he?

Realization chilled their very marrow. Kiichi the Giant! Kiichi the good! Kiichi was gone. All except the pieces. And the men that were his mates, ghastly under their dirt-streaked tan, found Kiichi's head, with the eyes still staring into space, wonderingly. Reverently they gathered him into a four-foot box.

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Giants Big Bats Boost Squad Into Sunday Loop Lead

Suga Twirls Cannily To Tie Up Unions

The powerful Asahi Giants took an undisputed lead in the Sunday Loop by swatting the combined efforts of Union's Jimmy Fukui, Akio Kutsukake and Nobuo Kamitomo all over the lot to win 12-5.

Giants grabbed a singleton in the first frame as a warmup and then settled down to fattening their individual batting average in the second. Two free passes, an error of Scratchy Shiraishi's rolling ground ball, a two-ply swat by Kay Kaminishi and a safety by third baseman Herb Tanaka brushed over four more runs for the Giants. Three more in the fourth and a singleton in the eight frame advanced their total to 12 counters.

Veteran Ty Suga on the mound for the vets, had Union Fish heavy-hitters completely shackled with floaters that uncannily picked out the batters' weak spots.

Union Fish tried valiantly to bombardment came in the fourth when George Suzuki connected with one to his liking and cracked out a double and then scored on Jimmy Fukui's base on error. A sharp single by bambino Shi Okamura scored another run.

Union Fish tried valiantly to heap up more runs in the fifth and final frame, but their best was a singleton and two more in the last inning.

U.S. Nisei Fishermen Pledge Loyalty

Terminal Island, Calif.—In a gesture of loyalty reflecting the determination of American citizens leaders in this area, the Seine and Line Fishermen of the Pacific in placing their services at the disposal of the government in the event of "any emergency."

A statement issued by Kinzo Wakayama, secretary of the Seine and Line Fishermen's Union, composed of both alien and citizen fishermen, stated that the members of the group "declare ourselves loyal to the United States in the event of any emergency for national defense."

A similar action had already been taken by the Nisei Fishermen of the Pacific, an American citizen body.

Today the sad news came.

No, it was not death or disaster. Something, perhaps more dreadful—the gnawing pangs of a disappointed romance—or shall I say the sad farewell to tender graces.

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Asahis String Up Two More Wins

Trim Westerns 6-1; Subdue Pats 7-6

Asahis added two more wins to their big list last week when they trimmed the Westerns 6-1, while on Wednesday, Manager Roy Yamamura's three-run circuit blow proved to be the winning clout of the game as they eked out a tight 7-6 triumph over Patricia.

Frank Shiraishi, speedy left fielder enjoyed a perfect day against the Pats, banging out four safeties in that many times at bat.

This week they meet Westerns on Wednesday and Patricia Hotel on Saturday.

ASAHIS vs. PATRICIA

	AB	R	H	PO	A	
Shiraishi, lf	2	1	1	1	0	0
Kutsukake, c	4	1	1	5	0	0
Suga, rf	4	1	2	2	1	0
Nishihara, p	2	0	1	0	3	0
Uno, 1b	3	1	2	9	0	1
Marune, 3b	2	1	0	1	0	0
Nakamura, cf	4	0	1	2	0	0
Yamamura, 2b	1	2	2	1	3	0
Shishido, ss	3	0	0	0	2	0
Total	28	7	10	21	9	1

Patricia	0 0 1	0 1 4	0—6
Asahis	1 1 3	0 2 0	x—7

Summary—Home run: Yamamura; doubles: Shiraishi, Suga, Nakamura, Moser, Vanhatten 3, Reid; stolen bases: Shiraishi 2, Kutsukake, Uno, Faulkner; struck out by Nishihara 4, by Gibbs 4, by Paton 4; base on balls off Nishihara 5, off Gibbs 3, off Paton 3; hit by pitched ball: Shiraishi by Gibbs; sacrifice hit: Reid; left on bases: Asahi 10, Patricias 10; umpire: George Vanhatten.

ASAHIS vs. WESTERNS

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Shiraishi, lf	4	0	4	1	0	0
Kutsukake, c	4	0	0	9	0	2
Suga, p	2	0	0	0	2	0
Nakamura, cf	3	0	1	1	1	0
Nishihara, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Uno, 1b	3	2	2	7	0	0
Kaminishi, 3b	3	1	0	0	1	0
Yamamura, 2b	2	1	0	2	1	0
Shishido, ss	2	2	1	1	3	1
Total	25	6	8	21	8	3

Westerns	0 1 0	0 0 0	0—1
Asahis	0 3 0	0 0 3	x—6

Summary — Triples: Shiraishi, Uno, Thompson; stolen bases: Shiraishi, Suga, Nishihara 2, Yamamura, Shishido, Fullen; Struck out by Suga 8, by Couche 2; base on balls off Suga 1, off Couche 4; left on bases: Asahis 5, Westerns 7; umpire: George Vanhatten.

Mid-Island Loop

Hillcrest Nines Clean Up Openers

Fanfare At Paldi As League Starts Season

By Cossy Asada

A snappy Hillcrest Rangers ball nine took Mayo camp, 7-6, as the newly-organized Japanese Mid-island League swung into action with a fanfare of opening ceremonies last week at Paldi.

Officiating at the opening game were Mr. Mayo Singh, president of the Mayo Brothers Timber Co., Mr. D. Miles, Mayo woods superintendent, and Mr. L. E. Trear, Hillcrest woods superintendent.

Mr. Mayo Singh hurled fine ball with Mr. Trear on the receiving end, and Mr. Miles slugging.

Batteries—Mayo—Ogura, Yoshino and Toyota.

Rangers—Mende, Ito, Kawaguchi and Tateyama.

Umpire—Sandy Sanderson.

Giants Down Nippon

In the second game at Duncan Athletic field, Hillcrest Giants and Chemainus Nippons fought it out in a tight encounter, as the Giants finally emerged victors, 11-7.

Giants—Inamoto, Inamoto and Inyone.

Nippons—Okada, Okada and Yoshida.

Umpires—Bill Inamoto and S. Yoshida.

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Tsuyuki Nets 11 Under For Edo Cup

Katsukawa Takes Low Gross Honors

By Jimmy Suzuki

Kaizo Tsuyuki, one-man movie house of Shinkosha, left his films and projectors long enough to upset the dopesters and cop the Edo Cup with a blazing 133, eleven under par net. The pre-tourney favorites, George Ogino and Jack Katsukawa shot good enough golf to win any other tourney, but couldn't match the driving finish of the "flicker" man, nor that of the other two members of his foursome who were runners-up.

Yoshio Tanaka, the gas man, was second with a net 137, and Junji Miura of the Consulate was a stroke behind for third place.

Low gross honors went to Katsukawa, who coupled a 78 with a 79 for 155, giving him a net 141, three under par.

The first round found the field closely bunched, with a couple of 67's leading the field, and the eventual winner trailing the pacers by two strokes. Tsuyuki finished the 27th on average, but finished going away when he came in with a gross 39—1 over course par—6 under his own handicap.

We wouldn't have bothered the scores of the 1-2-3 winners if old Doc Banno wasn't there to tally; incidently he lost his shirt playing with this "torrid" foursome. Better luck next time, Ed!

"Dutch" Shimada, Jimmy Fukui and "Mosey" Shimada gave up the bad job after the morning round, and went "back to nature" for a leisurely round of golf at the tricky Maple Ridge Golf Course.

Mikados Cash In On Kyuhin Errors To Take Intercity Play-off Lead

Something must be done about errors, moaned the Kitsilano Kyuhin fans as they saw their team go down to an 8-3 setback from the Mikados. The Kitsies swatted the ball eight times to Mikados six, but committed no less than six costly errors. This win puts the Fairview lads one up in the best-out-of-three series for the championship of the newly-born Intercity League.

Mikados began the session with two runs when Mas Endo and George Yoshinaka scored as Shortstop D. Matsumoto let Giichi Hayashi's hard grounder go by him. But the Kitsies fought right back and recaptured the two tallies on R. Matsumoto's safe single which scored S. Nagai and Frank Sumi.

KITSIES' GRIEF

Mikados' big inning came in the fourth when they wasted no time in blasting Moundsman Frank Sumi out of the box. The heavy bombardment began after one down when Shoros Kondo, Mikado twirler, hit a safety to centre hay. An error by first-sacker R. Matsumoto placed Yozy Yasui on the bag. Then bang, bang, bang, three successive hits by Endo, Hayashi and Goromaru split the ball game wide open,

and when R. Matsumoto retired the inning after relieving Sumi, Mikados had chalked up six runs.

Kyuhins chalked up the only marker (?) the big fourth, in the sixth frame when the heavy wind carried the ball out of centre-fielder Tyao Ito's reach to allow S. Matsumoto, who had previously walloped out a safety, to scamper across the plate.

Mikados—Yasui, 3b (1-4); Endo, 2b (2-4); Yoshinaka, 1b-c (0-2); Hayashi, c, p (1-1); Goromaru, cf, 1b (3-4); Takahashi, lf (0-4); A. Watanabe, ss (0-4); Ito, rf (0-4); Kondo, p (1-3)—6 hits.

Kitsilano Kyuhins—D. Matsumoto, ss (1-4); S. Nagai, cf, c (0-2); S. Matsumoto, c, cf (1-3); Sumi, p, 2b (2-4); K. Matsumoto, lf (0-1); R. Matsumoto, 1b, p (2-4); Morita, rf (0-3); Kano, 3b (1-4); Kadonaga, 2b (1-1)—8 hits.

Score by Innings:

Mikado	2 0 0	6 0 0	0—8
Kitsilano	2 0 0	0 0 1	0—3

City League Tennis

Nippons Flash Power In Second Win

The heavy wind did funny tricks with the light tennis balls, and the racqueteers made awkward last-minute stabs at the balls that were blown around like ping pong balls, but all that didn't hold the Nippons from chalking up their second win in that many tries against the powerful Vancouver B's, 5-2.

The Nippons were definitely on. In the singles Tommy Iwasaki's hard forehand and backhand smash proved too much for Herald, while Fred Sasaki, Nippon champ, trimmed 15-year-old Jeffery, Vancouver Tennis Club's most promising rookie, 6-2, 6-3.

The new doubles team of Captain Matsubayashi and George Ide also enjoyed a perfect day. George proved particularly effective on the high lobs and smashed them in for sure pointers. Veteran Matsubayashi's top-spin aces, helped along by the heavy wind had the Vancouver B tennissers literally wrapping the racquet around their necks in vain attempts to return the ball.

The doubles team of Tommy Nobuoka and Gus Hirano suffered an off-day and lost their matches. Either the wind got their goats or they were just merely off form. Their usually hard forehand smashes just wouldn't clear the net. They dropped the first match to Allan-Moscovich two straight and the next to Pidgeon-Sutton after carrying them to eight games in the second set.

Sasaki bt. Jeffery 6-2, 6-3; Iwasaki bt. Herald 6-3, 6-4; Sasaki-Iwasaki bt. Jeffery-Herald 6-2, 5-7, 6-3; Matsubayashi-Ide bt. Allan-Moscovich 6-3, 6-3; and Pidgeon-Sutton 6-2, 8-6; Pidgeon-Sutton bt. Nobuoka-Hirano 6-3, 4-6, 6-4; Allan-Moscovich bt. Nobuoka-Hirano 6-4, 6-3.

● Sport SPOTLITE

HAIL THE FLYWEIGHT CHAMP

Hail the amateur flyweight champ of Canada! None other than our old friend Tadao Kato, North Vancouver Olympic Club's top flyweight clouter, and the only Japanese to take part in the Dominion Amateur Boxing Championship meet held recently at Cardston, Alberta.

It's only once in a while we get an All-Canada boxing champ from Canada, and when we do, and it happens to be Japanese, a Nisei like ourselves, well it's something for all of us to feel proud. How about somebody putting on a feed in his honour?

Good going, Tad, here's hoping you grab more laurels and lots of success.

Last Saturday I found a little spare time so with a bunch of the boys went down to the Terminal Dock to pick up a few dollars portering off the incoming Hie Maru. With perspiration streaming down my neck, shoving and pushing the heavy trunks, I bumped into a fellow that was really Sumo-crazy. When I say Sumo-crazy, I mean he was really bugs. His tales of these giants, with their middies hanging out like gunny-sacks was so realistic, that I just about saw myself right at the ringside.

What a sight it must be! Thousands upon thousands of people jabbering away at the top of their voices in smoky, packed auditoriums. Rows upon rows of frenzied spectators, clerks, soldiers, sailors and even geishas in the stuffy galleries.

There must be an intense awe created by the impossible, such as the sight of a man of such broad beam tossing a leg to those in the tenth-row back. The ability to lift a 100-pound leg sideward to impossible heights seems a necessary and, in some instances, excruciating part of the wrestler's repertoire. In the case of the better padded performers, it must look like a tank doing a bubble dance.

After the usual setting-up exercises are performed, and purified with a mouthful of water, each grappler crouches like a football guard and waits for the other guy to say something. This goes on long enough to allow the hungrier spectators a few more mouthfuls of lunch. No one seems to have defined how many false starts constitute par for the course and the established time limit is long enough to allow more exercise than the average wrestler cares to take.

Action is signalized when one mountain launches at the other, and by the time an untutored observer recovers from the terrific impact, the match is over.

There are some 150 different holds used by skilled battlers, but some of them appear to be used in the everyday dressing room. The foreigner distinguishes these three manoeuvres:

1. **The Commuter's Grip**—a neat little trick, designed for men weighing more than 400 pounds, by which you lunge through your opponent's guard and grab his loin belt, in order either to tear it off or throw him out of the ring. Recommended for street car commuters who have to reach for overhead straps on crowded cars.

2. **The Bass Drum Device**—This is the simple manoeuvre by which you pound on your opponent's chest, hoping to produce a deep, resonant note, or to cause him to topple face downward on the mat in an attempt to run you down. Recommended for musically inclined, but neglected wives.

3. **The Topknot Twist**—an easy hold, which can be learned even by girls, by which you grab your opponent's hair in one resolute hand and throw him resoundingly to the mat. Good to eliminate competition when rushing for theatre seats.

To be a champion you must look well in shingled, upswept coiffure, well-oiled and moulded into place with a flatiron, you must be able to wear a gold-encrusted skirt and perform exercises like Hula girls, you must know each intricate part of the ritual and recognize the symbolism of the sword and the bow, the Shinto-shrine roof of the ring, and the look that your opponent throws to your favorite girl, you must eat with the methods of a mass-production factory, you must . . .

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